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Letter dated 15 March 2004 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to resolution 1526 (2004), adopted by the Security Council on 30 January 2004, concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities.

In paragraph 6 of the resolution, the Security Council decided to establish, for a period of 18 months, a New York-based Analytical Support and Sanctions Monitoring Team to assist the Al-Qaida and Taliban Sanctions Committee in the fulfilment of its mandate.

In paragraph 7, the Security Council requested me to appoint, acting in close consultation with the Committee, no more than eight members of the Monitoring Team, including a Coordinator, who demonstrate one or more of the following areas of expertise related to activities of the Al-Qaida organization and/or the Taliban, including: counter-terrorism and related legislation; financing of terrorism and international financial transactions, including technical banking expertise; alternative remittance systems, charities, and use of couriers; border enforcement, including port security; arms embargoes and export controls and drug trafficking.

Following consultation with the above Committee, I wish to inform you that I have appointed the following eight experts:

Mr. Richard Barrett (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)
Mr. Stanislav Frolov (Russian Federation)
Mr. Wilson C. Kalumba (Zambia)
Mr. Franck Kasbarian (France)
Ms. Christine Lee (Singapore)
Mr. Ashraf Mohsen (Egypt)
Mr. Gary J. Peters (United States of America)
Ms. Lynne Walker (Australia)

I have also selected Mr. Barrett to serve as the Coordinator of the Monitoring Team.

I should be grateful if you would bring this information to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Kofi A. **Annan**

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